

What is claimed is:

1 1. A portable telephone device which receives contents  
2 information distributed from a server in response to a  
3 request made by a user for the contents information, the  
4 portable telephone device comprising:

5 a display panel which displays the received contents  
6 information thereon;

7 a backlight which lights up the display panel;

8 request detecting means for detecting that the  
9 request has been made; and

10 lighting control means for (a) turning off the  
11 backlight when the request detecting means detects that  
12 the request has been made and (b) turning on the backlight  
13 after the contents information is received.

1 2. The portable telephone device of Claim 1, wherein  
2 the lighting control means turns on the backlight  
3 when the lighting control means detects completion of a  
4 display procedure for displaying the received contents  
5 information on the display panel.

1 3. The portable telephone device of Claim 2, wherein  
2 the display procedure displays a portion of the  
3 received contents information on the display panel.

1 4. The portable telephone device of Claim 3, wherein  
2 the request detecting means includes an instruction

3 accepting unit for accepting from the user an instruction  
4 for requesting the contents information, and detects that  
5 the request has been made by detecting the instruction.

1 5. The portable telephone device of Claim 4, wherein  
2 the lighting control means includes reception  
3 judgement means for judging whether the contents  
4 information is received within a predetermined period of  
5 time since the request detecting means detects that the  
6 request has been made, and

7 in the case where the reception judgement means  
8 judges that the contents information is not received within  
9 the predetermined period of time, the lighting control  
10 means displays on the display panel a message that the  
11 contents information failed to be received and turns on  
12 the backlight.

1 6. The portable telephone device of Claim 3, wherein  
2 the request detecting means includes an instruction  
3 accepting unit for accepting from the user an instruction  
4 for requesting the contents information, and detects that  
5 the request has been made by detecting transmission of the  
6 instruction.

1 7. The portable telephone device of Claim 6, wherein  
2 the lighting control means includes reception  
3 judgement means for judging whether the contents

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4 information is received within a predetermined period of  
5 time since the request detecting means detects that the  
6 request has been made, and

7 in the case where the reception judgement means  
8 judges that the contents information is not received within  
9 the predetermined period of time, the lighting control  
10 means displays on the display panel a message that the  
11 contents information failed to be received and turns on  
12 the backlight.

1 8. The portable telephone device of Claim 2, wherein  
2 the display procedure displays all of the received  
3 contents information on the display panel.

1 9. The portable telephone device of Claim 8, wherein  
2 the request detecting means includes an instruction  
3 accepting unit for accepting from the user an instruction  
4 for requesting the contents information, and detects that  
5 the request has been made by detecting the instruction.

1 10. The portable telephone device of Claim 9, wherein  
2 the lighting control means includes reception  
3 judgement means for judging whether the contents  
4 information is received within a predetermined period of  
5 time since the request detecting means detects that the  
6 request has been made, and

7 in the case where the reception judgement means

8 judges that the contents information is not received within  
9 the predetermined period of time, the lighting control  
10 means displays on the display panel a message that the  
11 contents information failed to be received and turns on  
12 the backlight.

1 11. The portable telephone device of Claim 8, wherein  
2 the request detecting means includes an instruction  
3 accepting unit for accepting from the user an instruction  
4 for requesting the contents information, and detects that  
5 the request has been made by detecting transmission of the  
6 instruction.

1 12. The portable telephone device of Claim 11, wherein  
2 the lighting control means includes reception  
3 judgement means for judging whether the contents  
4 information is received within a predetermined period of  
5 time since the request detecting means detects that the  
6 request has been made, and

7 in the case where the reception judgement means  
8 judges that the contents information is not received within  
9 the predetermined period of time, the lighting control  
10 means displays on the display panel a message that the  
11 contents information failed to be received and turns on  
12 the backlight.

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